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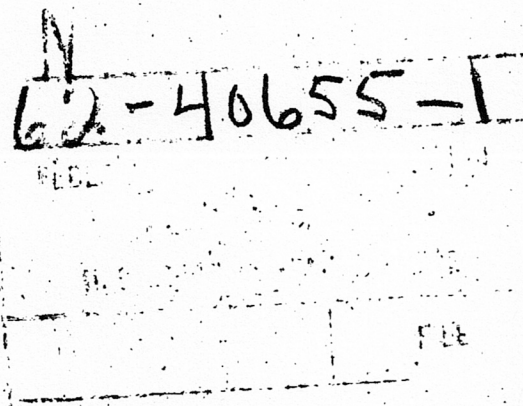
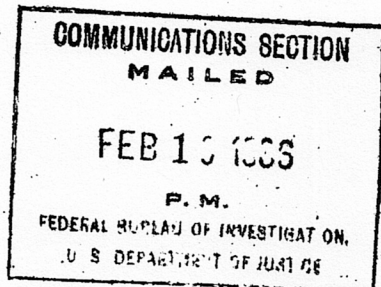
MEMORANDUM FOR MR. JOSEPH ✓  
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JH  
Please place the name of Mr. Norman Chandler,  
Assistant General Manager, Times Publishing Company, Los Angeles,  
California, on the mailing list maintained in your office.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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February 11, 1936

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Mr. Norman Chandler,  
Assistant General Manager,  
Times Publishing Company,  
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Mr. Chandler:

I have been informed by Mr. J. H. Hanson, Special Agent in Charge of the Los Angeles Office of this Bureau, of his recent conversation with you and of your very kind invitation to me to visit Los Angeles.

I have not forgotten our visit in New York City, and since that time I have looked forward to the possibility of going to the West Coast. An opportunity has not arisen for such a trip up to the present time, but I am still hopeful that I shall be able to renew my acquaintance with you at some not too distant time.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Tolson .....  
Mr. Baughman .....  
Chief Clerk .....  
Mr. Clegg .....  
Mr. Coffey .....  
Mr. Edwards .....  
Mr. Egan .....  
Mr. Foxworth .....  
Mr. Glavin .....  
Mr. Joseph .....  
Mr. Keith .....  
Mr. Lester .....  
Mr. Quinn .....  
Mr. Schilder .....  
Mr. Tamm .....  
Mr. Tracy .....  
Miss Gandy .....

cc SAC Los Angeles

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Los Angeles, California  
January 31, 1936

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| Mr. Tamm     | ..... |
| Mr. Tracy    | ..... |
| Miss Gandy   | ..... |

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

For your information, since my return to Los Angeles, I have had the opportunity of making a call on Mr. Norman Chandler, assistant general manager Times Publishing Company in Los Angeles. During my visit with Mr. Chandler, he expressed the greatest of respect for you and the Bureau. He offered to cooperate with the Bureau at any time it would be possible for him to do so.

Mr. Chandler requested that I convey to you his personal greetings; also the wish that you would find it possible to make a visit to Los Angeles in the near future. He said that you had "threatened" to do this on one or two occasions, but that as yet he has not had the opportunity of seeing you here, and added that he was very hopeful that you would find it possible to make a visit here in the near future. Needless to say, this wish is also shared by me and the Los Angeles office.

Sincerely yours,

*J. H. Hanson*  
J. H. HANSON  
Special Agent in Charge

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Memo J. H. Hanson  
cc - Mr. Chandler  
cc - Mr. L. A.  
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HARRY CHANDLER  
President and General Manager  
NORMAN CHANDLER  
Vice President

MARION OTIS CHANDLER  
Secretary  
F. X. PFAFFING  
Treasurer

# Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES • CALIFORNIA  
MADISON 2345

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March 24, 1936.

Mr. John Edgar Hoover,  
Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear John:

Thanks for sending me a copy of the address,  
"The Influence of Crime on the American Home",  
which you delivered before the New York Herald-  
Tribune Forum.

I am leaving for New York shortly and will take  
your address along with me for some good reading  
enroute.

What about that long promised trip West you were  
going to take? I am sure you deserve it and that  
you will enjoy spending a few days on the West  
Coast.

I hope to have the pleasure of seeing you in the  
not-too-distant future in Los Angeles.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

*Norman Chandler*

Thank him & tell him  
I expect to be West in  
June or July. Address  
him Dept. Norman.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Record of Telephone Call or Visitor

Mr. Tolson  
Mr. E. A. Tamm  
Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Ladd  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Tracy  
Mr. Carson  
Mr. Egan  
Mr. Gurnea  
Mr. Harbo  
Mr. Hendon  
Mr. Jones  
Mr. Pennington  
Tele. Room  
Mr. Nease  
Miss Beahm  
Miss Gandy

Mr. ~~Warner~~ Frances, Los Angeles  
~~called~~ --phoned. Times, tele  
locally

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Hour 3:50pm Date Jan. 20, 1947

REMARKS

Mr. Frances stated that he has a message for the Director from NORMAN CHANDLER of the Los Angeles Times who the Director knows, and he would like to see him anytime tomorrow convenient to the Director. He stated he has a dentist appointment at 2:45pm which will last about 30 minutes, otherwise he is free.

He would like to be called, National 0136.

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April 1, 1936.

Mr. Norman Chandler,  
Vice President,  
Los Angeles Times,  
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Norman:

I have received your letter of March 24,  
and want to thank you for writing and suggesting  
that I would enjoy a trip west.

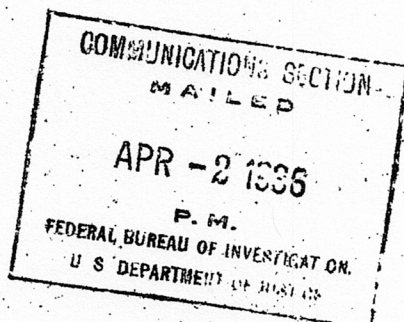
I expect to be in the west sometime in  
June or July and certainly hope to see you at that  
time.

Should you be able to arrange to visit  
Washington on your contemplated trip east, I shall  
expect a call from you.

With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,  
J. Edgar Hoover

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NORMAN CHANDLER  
Newspaper Publisher  
Los Angeles, California

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(Who's Who in America, 1954-1955)

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nichols

DATE: April 19, 1955

FROM : M. A. Jones

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SUBJECT: NORMAN CHANDLER, PUBLISHER  
"LOS ANGELES (CALIFORNIA) TIMES"

**SYNOPSIS:** The purpose is to set forth identifying information regarding Norman Chandler. SAC, Los Angeles by air-tel dated April 1, 1955, reported that Mr. Robert J. Bauer, President, Better Business Bureau (BBB) of Los Angeles, California advised it is BBB's desire to have the Director as principal speaker for BBB general membership meeting at Beverly Hills, California on September 14, 1955. Bauer plans to write a letter to the Director to arrive about April 21, 1955, and on this date Mr. Chandler plans to call on the Director, to make a request for him to address the BBB group. Bufiles reflect cordial correspondence with BBB. The Director has declined speech offers of BBB and Robert J. Bauer, an executive of BBB, in 1939, 1945 and 1946. Bauer in 1954 offered the Department his cooperation relating to violations of Title One, FHA Home Improvement Program. Norman Chandler was born in 1899 in Los Angeles. He has been associated with the "Los Angeles Times" since 1922. Since 1945 he has been President and Publisher. The Bureau has had cordial relations with Mr. Chandler and the "Los Angeles Times" in recent years. Mr. Chandler is not included on the current Bureau mailing list. In 1939 serious difficulties arose between FBI and Taylor Trumbo, a reporter for the "Los Angeles Times," who reportedly made serious derogatory remarks against the Bureau and the Director personally. Following an exchange of correspondence with Mr. Chandler, Assistant Director Clegg investigated the situation pursuant to the Director's instructions, whereupon this matter was resolved. Chandler reportedly visited Germany in 1936 and allegedly he had been given letters of introduction to high ranking Nazi officials by Ludwig Hans Wolfram, identified as the subject of an Espionage - G investigation. (1941) Chandler reportedly was invited to a reception at Russian Consulate in 1943. The name of Harry Buffum, Chandler's brother-in-law, was reported in 1945 to have appeared on a list of names as possibly interested in the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee and as one proposed as a sponsor of this Committee in 1945.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. That if the Director's schedule permits he shake hands with Mr. Norman Chandler, Publisher of the Los Angeles Times, on April 21, 1955.

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cc - Mr. Nichols  
cc - Mr. Holloman

cc - Mr. Jones  
cc - Mr. Ekk

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Memo to Mr. Nichols

April 19, 1955

2. That Mr. Chandler be invited to a tour of Bureau facilities to be conducted by a Special Agent.

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Memo to Mr. Nichols

April 19, 1955

DETAILS

PURPOSE:

To set forth identifying information regarding Norman Chandler, who, according to Robert J. Bauer, President, Better Business Bureau of Los Angeles (BBB), will call on the Director on April 21, 1955, to make a request for the Director to address a BBB general membership meeting on September 14, 1955, in Beverly Hills, California.

INFORMATION REGARDING BBB:

Bufiles reflect cordial correspondence of BBB with the Bureau. SAC Los Angeles was approached in November, 1945, regarding the Director making a speech at a BBB luncheon. This offer was declined as was another offer in March, 1946. (62-71534)

INFORMATION REGARDING ROBERT J. BAUER:

Robert J. Bauer has been President of BBB since 1950. (Who's Who in America 1954-55)

Bauer, then Manager, BBB, by telegram of March 29, 1939, urged the Director to accept a speaking engagement of the National Association of Better Business Bureaus for June 5, 1939, at Buffalo, New York. The Director replied on March 30, 1939, and declined the invitation due to pressure of official matters at Washington. (94-1-9720-27)

Bauer by letter dated April 20, 1954, offered the Department of Justice his cooperation and that of BBB files in the investigation of any Federal violation in connection with Title 1, FHA Home Improvement Program. (46-19614-87)

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. Rosen

DATE: August 10, 1955

FROM : L. N. Conroy

SUBJECT: NORMAN CHANDLER  
NAME CHECK REQUEST

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| Tolson     | _____ |
| Boardman   | _____ |
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A name check request by regular name check form was received from the [redacted] on 7-28-55, concerning Norman Chandler, President and Publisher of the "Los Angeles Times." [redacted] has indicated that Chandler is to be a contact in matters of a sensitive nature.

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No investigation has been conducted by the Bureau concerning Chandler. Bufiles reflect that Chandler reportedly visited Germany in 1936 and allegedly was given letters of introduction to ranking Nazi officials by Ludwig Hans Wolfram, subject of 1941 "Espionage - G" investigation. Chandler has advised that he was only casually acquainted with Wolfram. In 1943 information was furnished that Chandler's name appeared on a program of a party held at the residence of the former German Consul in Los Angeles prior to the Austria Anschluss. It was reported that Chandler was invited to a reception at the Russian Consul in Los Angeles in 1943. The name of Harry Buffum, Chandler's brother-in-law, was reported in 1945 to have appeared on a list of names as possibly interested in the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee and as one proposed as a sponsor of this committee in 1945. The Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee has been cited by the Attorney General. In 1939 difficulties arose between the Bureau and Taylor Trumbo, reporter for the "Los Angeles Times" who reportedly made serious derogatory remarks against the Bureau and the Director personally. Assistant Director Clegg investigated the situation pursuant to the Director's instructions, whereupon the matter was resolved. Cordial relations were reestablished with the "Los Angeles Times."

By letter dated 4-20-55 Mr. Robert J. Bauer, President of the Better Business Bureau of Los Angeles, invited the Director to address a meeting of that organization in September, 1955. By letter dated 4-25-55, the invitation was declined. On 5-16-55 a letter was received from Chandler indicating that he had attempted to contact the Director, who was out of the city, in connection with the above invitation. Chandler advised he later saw the Director at the Banshee Luncheon in New York and expressed his regrets for not being able to speak to him.

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Memorandum Conroy to Mr. A. Rosen

RECOMMENDATION:

If you approve, the name check request from ☐ will be returned to that agency stamped "No investigation conducted by FBI pertinent to your inquiry."

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*Name check from Tampa & recommendation + returned*  
*8-11-55 wjg*  
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*RJM*

*JBa*



## SEARCH SLIP

Subj: Chandler, Norman

Supervisor

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Date

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October 26, 1955

NORMAN CHANDLER

Born: September 14, 1899

Los Angeles, California

*T. ONI 7, 10/31/55  
BOW*

Reference is made to your name check request concerning the captioned individual, requesting only copies of reports of any security-type investigation conducted by this Bureau. In response, you are advised that no such investigation of this person has been conducted by the FBI.

The foregoing information is furnished to you as a result of your request for an FBI file check and is not to be construed as a clearance or a nonclearance of the individual involved. This information is furnished for your use and should not be disseminated outside of your agency.

Orig. and one to ONI  
Req. rec'd. 10-17-55  
W.H. Ppott/cac  
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Note: The above-mentioned name check request was received through liaison from Commander Rutledge of ONI who advised that the above individual is being considered as an invitee to a conference to be held by the Department of Navy in January, 1956, at which classified data will be discussed. Commander Rutledge indicated that this individual who may attend will require at least a secret clearance, and that the individual is not aware of his suggested invitation and complete background data could not be obtained at this time. At ONI's request, indices were searched for results of security-type investigations only concerning the subject.

*M*

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
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April 14, 1960

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Mr. Norman Chandler  
President of the Board  
The Times-Mirror Company  
202 West First Street  
Los Angeles 53, California

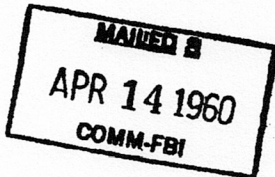
Dear Norman:

I recently learned of your retirement from the position as Publisher of the Los Angeles Times, a post you have filled with dignity and ability. You will be sorely missed in this capacity by your friends in the FBI.

My associates join me in wishing you continued success in your role as President of the Board of The Times-Mirror Company. Please do not hesitate to call on us whenever we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

J. Edgar ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~



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NOTE: Mr. Chandler is on the Special Correspondents' List. We have had cordial relations with his paper. He has been the third Publisher of this paper in its 79-year history. Attached clipping reflects he retired on 4-11-60. Address of Times-Mirror Company per telephone directory.

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# Chandler's Son Made Publisher

LOS ANGELES, April 11 (AP)—Norman Chandler announced today that he is retiring as publisher of the Los Angeles Times and that he will be succeeded immediately by his son Otis.

Otis Chandler, 32, a graduate of the University of Stanford, has spent 7 years in the production, advertising and editorial departments of the large morning daily.

Norman Chandler, 60, the third publisher of the Times in its 79-year history, will continue as president of the board of the Times-Mirror Co.

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DATE: March 1, 1968.

FROM : J. Walter Yeagley  
Assistant Attorney General  
Internal Security Division

SUBJECT: Correspondence from [redacted] of Los Angeles, California

I am forwarding a copy of a letter from [redacted] for your information and any action you deem appropriate.

We have not answered [redacted] letter.

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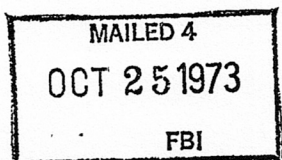


October 23, 1973

*Don. H. Buffum Chandler*  
Mrs. Norman Chandler  
455 South Lorraine Boulevard  
Los Angeles, California 90020

Dear Mrs. Chandler:

I was indeed sorry to learn of the death of  
your husband and want you to know his passing leaves a  
void in the journalistic world. Although mere words are of  
little solace at a time such as this, my associates and I  
hope you will take some comfort in knowing we share your  
sorrow.



Sincerely,

Clarence Kelley

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NOTE: Mr. Chandler was on the Special Correspondents List. He is  
being removed from the mailing list at this time. Address per Washington  
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# Norman Chandler, Builder of Publishing Empire

From News Dispatches

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 20.

Norman Chandler, former publisher of the Los Angeles Times and a builder of one of the great American publishing empires, died early today. He was 74.

He died of cancer at about 3 a.m. in Good Samaritan Hospital here, where he was operated on three weeks ago, a spokesman said. It was his second surgery this year.

Mr. Chandler was a third-generation publisher of the family-owned Times. He retired as publisher in 1960 in favor of his son, Otis, then 33, but continued to preside over the expansion and diversification of the Times Mirror Co. into various fields.

During his 50 years with the Times, Mr. Chandler helped build it from one of a number of competing newspapers in Los Angeles to the city's dominant newspaper with a circulation of more than a million.

Under his guidance, the Times became the nation's second largest journal in daily circulation, the biggest in advertising and one of the nation's most influential.

The Times owned \$5.5 million in assets the year Mr. Chandler went to work for the newspaper and today, ranking as one of the top three media operations in the nation, grosses more than \$600 million annually.

At the time of his death the former Times publisher was chairman of the Times Mirror Co.'s executive committee and director of the Times Mirror Foundation.

In a statement issued following Mr. Chandler's death, Nixon said:

"A close friend, a worthy citizen, and an honest and forthright leader in the com-



NORMAN CHANDLER

munications field, Norman Chandler will be missed by all Americans.

"His good works and his newspaper will serve as monuments to his life, but his personal qualities, his warmth, dignity and devotion to others, will not be easily replaced. I will always remember him as one of the finest gentlemen I have ever known."

Mrs. Nixon joins me today in grieving the death of Norman Chandler. To his wife, Dorothy, and to his two children, we extend our deep condolences. They will take great pride in the life

he lived, because he served so many others before himself."

Katharine Graham, publisher of The Washington Post, said: "Norman Chandler played a decisive role in the development of a great American newspaper, and his career did credit to the traditions of a great American publishing family."

He built the Times Mirror Company into one of the largest and most distinguished communications companies in the country. He was a great friend of the community in which he lived. And above all he was

a warm and good friend to those who knew him."

The silver-haired, craggy-faced Chandler and his wife, Dorothy Buffum (Buff) Chandler, were influential in Southern California's economic, political and cultural life.

He was born in Los Angeles Sept. 14, 1899. His grandfather, Gen. Harrison Gray Otis, was publisher from 1881 to 1911, and his father, Harry Chandler, was publisher from 1917 to 1944.

Norman Chandler was a boy of 11 when the Times was the target of a dynamite attack by radical unionists in 1910.

Mr. Chandler's first job on the Times was delivering papers in a Model T Ford. After graduation from Stanford University in 1922, he began a seven-year apprenticeship that took him through all departments of the newspaper.

Mr. Chandler ran the Times—the biggest newspaper in the West—in much the same mold as his grandfather and father. Among other things, the newspaper generally favored Republicans and opposed unions.

Recalling the 1940s and the 1950s, Mr. Chandler said in an interview, "We were kind of lopsided in those days. If we gave the Republicans a big story, we'd give the Democrats a small one. And we only gave management's side in labor disputes."

With son Otis directing the Times, the elder Chandler supervised the growth of the Times Mirror corporation.

Through acquisitions it became a publisher of encyclopedias, paperbacks, atlases, dictionaries, medical books and periodicals, legal treatises, charts and maps.

The Times Mirror Co. also

acquired the Los Angeles Herald, the N.Y. Newday and the Orange Coast Press, and the San Diego Mesa, Calif.

Mr. Chandler was the company's "knowledge."

He once said: "The world today, with its rapid changing education, is exploding in growth. The life have always man's ingenuity distribution of has become the '60s.'"

Mr. Chandler's assistant to the publisher from 1929 to 1934, assistant general manager from 1936, vice president from 1941, president from 1945, and president from 1945.

He was chairman of the board and president from 1961 to 1966, chief executive officer from 1966 to 1968.

He was chairman of the five committees.

Mr. Chandler was on the board of directors of the Associated Press years beginning in 1944, was elected in 1946 and was elected first president in 1946 and 1947.

He was a trustee of the California Institute of Technology, the California Club, the California Club of San Francisco, and the Club of San Francisco.

In addition to his son, Mr. Chandler survived by his wife, Dorothy, and his daughter, Camilla C. Chandler.

He had three grandchildren: Harrison Chandler, sister, May C. Chandler, and Lady Ruth Chandler.

Let to Mrs. Chandler

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